Happy, Joyous & Free Area 48 Newsletter

May, 2026

I can't believe it's already May! It took me a little while, but I think I've finally found my rhythm with this newsletter format—what a relief. It's been an exciting couple of months.

As I write this, our Delegate, Dolores, is in New York attending the General Service Conference. I'm sure she'll have much more to share this month, but you'll find a couple of her reports included in this issue. She has done a wonderful job keeping us informed about the conference agenda and gathering the Area's group conscience to help guide her work there. More to come!

We also have an upcoming Area Voting Assembly on May 16, where Dolores will present her full conference report.

In this issue, you'll see that our committees are making great progress. There are also several upcoming events to look forward to, including a trip to New York City in August to tour the recently updated General Service Office, a Concepts Study beginning in June, the NYS Informational Workshop in July, and more. It all looks like an informational and fun summer.

See you May 16!

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Recovery

Unity

Service

And Love...

The AA Principles of the Month

May, 2026

Step 5: Admitted to God, ourselves and another Human Being the exact nature of our wrongs.

Tradition Five: Each group has but one primary purpose—to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.
1. Am I willing to firmly explain to newcomers the limitations of AA help, even though they may get mad at me for not giving them a loan? Or dating advice? Or help with a job?
2. Have I ever imposed on any AA member for a special favor or consideration simply because I am a fellow alcoholic?
3. Am I willing to Twelfth-Step the next newcomer without regard to who or what is in it for me?
4. Do I help my group in every way to fulfill our primary purpose?

Concept V: Throughout our structure, a traditional “Right of Appeal” ought to prevail, so that minority opinion will be heard and personal grievances receive careful consideration.
• Do we encourage the minority opinion, the “Right of Appeal,” to be heard at our home group, district committee meetings, area assemblies and the Conference?
• What does our group accept as “substantial unanimity”?
• Has our group experienced the “tyranny of the majority” or the “tyranny of the minority”?
• Does our group understand the importance of all points of view being heard before a vote is taken?

Officer and Committee Chair Reports

Delegate's Connection

Before the Report Back. *A preview of what I hope to bring home from Conference*

By the time you read this, I will most likely be physically exhausted, yet spiritually renewed, and in the home stretch of the General Service Conference in New York City, trying very hard to look calm, act responsible, and not complain too much about my shoe choices.

Some people pack for Conference and go. I, apparently, form small emotional attachments to blazers, weather apps, backup note cards, and binders. Lots of binders. My friends say I fret. I usually deny that. But in the spirit of rigorous honesty, yes, I am a bit of a fretter.

And this year, I have a good reason. Area 48 has entrusted me with a very real spiritual responsibility. I am not just attending a big meeting. I am carrying the voice of our Area into a room where decisions are discussed that can affect A.A. as a whole. That is not a small thing to me. I feel the weight of it, and I should.

So before I come home and give my full Report Back, I wanted to share a plain-language preview of what that report is really meant to do.

A Report Back is not just me standing at a microphone and reading every action item until everyone's eyes glaze over. It is not a travel log, a stack of committee papers, or proof that I survived a week of long days, hotel coffee, and trying not to miss anything important.

A real Report Back is my chance to bring the Conference back home to you. It is how I share what happened, why it happened, what the discussion felt like, and what it may mean for our groups, districts, and service work.

That middle part matters. I worry, probably more than I should, about being prepared. And for me, that means reading everything. When I say everything, I mean everything: background information, notes, committee reports, side notes, amendments, things clipped to other things, and probably one last-minute look at the Conference Charter. But even with all that reading, the goal is not to drown all of us in details. The goal is to help make sense of what mattered.

So when I give the Report Back, I will keep coming back to a simple pattern: what happened, why it happened, and what it means for us.

First, I will share the facts. What actions were taken? What did not move forward? What questions were debated? Were there changes to literature, policy, structure, or practice?

Then I will try to give the context. What problem was the Conference trying to solve? What concerns were raised? What were the strongest points on both sides? Why did people feel strongly?
And then comes the part that matters most in almost every room I visit: what does this mean for us? Does it affect the home group? Does it change anything right now? Does it raise a question

we should keep talking about?

I also want to share something that does not always show up well on paper: the spirit of the Conference. Where was there unity? Where was there struggle? Where did minority opinion help deepen the discussion? Where did patience, humility, and trust really matter?

For me, that part is essential. The final outcome matters, of course. But how we got there matters too. Members deserve more than a list. You deserve the shape of the discussion, the spirit in the room, and enough context to understand not just what happened, but why A.A. moved the way it did.

Most of all, I want you to know this: I may be the Delegate, but more importantly, I am still a member of a home group, just like you. I am not heading off to Conference and coming back with any secret mystical knowledge. I am a trusted servant trying to do this job faithfully, prayerfully, and as clearly as I can. I take the responsibility seriously, and I hope you always know you can come to me with questions about decisions made at Conference or the work of AAWS. If I do not know the answer, I will find out and get back to you.

So please keep talking to me. Ask questions. Share concerns. Tell me what is not clear. Tell me what your group is wondering about. One of the most helpful things I can do is make the process easier to understand, not more distant. I would be happy to visit any group or district that would like a mini Report Back or a conversation about issues affecting A.A. as a whole. The General Service Office does not have to feel like some magical building where decisions are made somewhere far away. It can start at your business meeting, where your group gets to have input.

When the full Report Back comes, you do not need to catch every detail. It may help to listen for just a few questions: What changed? Why did A.A. decide that? Was there strong disagreement or a minority view? And what does this mean for us?

That is the heart of it. My job is not just to tell you what happened. My job is to help bring it home.

And yes, I will probably still be fretting a little, but by then it will be about the Report Back, not the Conference. Welcome to my world. The funny thing about all the fretting is that I know, for sure, "every little thing's gonna be alright." That has been my experience.

I hope to see many of you May 16 at the Spring Voting Assembly in Saratoga Springs. We will be voting on one Area proposal, hearing the 2027 Area budget presentation, as well as listening to the Delegate's 76th GSC Report Back.

Thank you.

Dolores K
Area 48 Panel 76

Delegate. Report and Charter

Delegate’s Connection, cont.

Review of the 76th GSC Delegate's Questionnaire informing Area Conscience.

I want to thank all the members of Area 48 who participated in forming group, district and Area’s group conscience. For me, it showed your understanding of and commitment to AA’s Concept 1: “Final responsibility and ultimate authority for AA’s world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our own Fellowship.”

The responses were calculated from the members of the Fellowship who attended Delegate’s Day of Sharing as well as the 73 home groups who responded to the Questionnaire . The combined totals therefore range from 144 to 165 counted responses depending on the item.

As I reviewed the combined results, a few patterns stood out. It was these patterns that I brought to Conference.

Our Area showed the strongest support for proposals that felt practical, helpful, and clearly tied to service. The clearest examples were the P-11 update and Funding Clarification. These seemed to be viewed as useful improvements rather than major shifts.

The strongest opposition, by a wide margin, was to removing Dr. Bob’s quote from the Service Manual. That suggests many groups felt strongly about preserving long-standing service material and being careful about changes that affect A.A.’s history and continuity.

Proposals involving new resources and media tools — such as the Step Study Workbook, Safety Videos, and Animated Videos — were generally supported, but with more caution and more requests for additional information.

The most divided responses came on proposals involving structure, geography, or Conference arrangements, especially the Conference Location Study and the proposal concerning who may serve geographically in an Area.

Overall, the pattern seems clear: our Area was most supportive of practical service improvements, more open-but-cautious about new tools and formats, and more hesitant when proposals involved structural change or removing established material.

Dolores K
A48 P76
Delegate. Report and Charter

Chair/Alt Delegate Report

Even though we didn't meet formally as an Area during April, I have been busy working on things for us.

Concepts Study
A Concepts Study will be starting in June. It will be on the first Friday of each month. There's a flyer in this newsletter. If you want more information, please feel free to send me an email.

GSO Tour
I coordinated with our General Service Office and we'll be going on a tour on August 14th! I'm very excited about this! I've reached out to motor coach companies for quotes and am waiting to hear back from the one I chose. Vo agreed to handle the money and as soon as we get a registration form set up, we'll let you know.

Voting Assembly Agenda
Our Voting Assembly is May 16th in Saratoga Springs. I've included the agenda in the newsletter, and it will be on the website as well.

NYSIW
Registration for the New York State Informational Workshop is open! Area 49, Southeast New York is hosting us and we'll be at Stony Point Center, 17 Cricketown Rd, Stony Point, NY 10980. The flyer is in this newsletter.

GSO Communication
I'm including the latest communication from the Self Support desk and the Quarterly Report from our General Service Office.

GSR Linktree
I'm working on a Linktree for the GSRs so that they have access to helpful resources and information all in one place.

Yours in Service,
Sue W.
Area Chair/Alternate Delegate
nenychair@nenyaa.org

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Alternate Chair Report

Our next events are Spring Voting Proposal Assembly, hosted by D5 and the ADK Cluster, May 16th, and then a Joy of Service Day hosted by D4, and the Central Cluster, on June 13th.
I hope we all support our trusted servants in getting these events prepared, and successfully delivered.
Looking forward to seeing all DCM's and Alts on the 3rd Sunday monthly call, 5pm, for about an hour.

Join Meeting:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/95273021180?pwd=amdUTmJjWi9HdnZvNCtlcC9iWlVyZz09
Meeting ID: 952 7302 1180
Passcode: DCMfun

Yours in Service, Vo N.

Secretary Report

Happy Spring

Loving the warmer weather and all the beautiful flowers popping up.
Looking forward to seeing everyone on May 16th for our Voting Assembly!!
If you have not signed up to receive the Area Minutes and would like to, please email me to get you on the mailing list.

Yours in Service,
Lindsey B
Area 48 Secretary
secretary@nenyaa.org
www.nenyaa.org

Accessibilities

HI Everyone! My name is Amy M and I am the Area 48 Accessibilities Chair. I am looking forward to learning more about how Area 48 can assist the districts and groups with any accessibility needs they may have.

My email contact is accessibility@nenyaa.org
THERE WILL BE NO MONTHLY COMMITTEE MEETING IN MAY. THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE JUNE 11 @ 6PM.
Please join us for a discussion on Neurodivergent/Mental Health Accessibility issues & solutions! Please come and contribute to the conversation.
Accessibility challenges apply to all alcoholics who have difficulty participating in Alcoholics Anonymous, whether those are mental, physical, geographic, cultural, or other factors that vary among people. Some of these alcoholics may experience barriers to accessing the A.A. message, including the literature, meetings, sponsorship, Twelfth Step work, and the service structure. Whatever the access barrier may be, the goal of our members and especially those who serve on Accessibilities Committees, is to find solutions to help ensure every alcoholic can participate in A.A. meetings, Twelfth Step work, and A.A. service.
Join us every month

> Accessibilities Committee Monthly Service Meeting Time: 6:00pm Eastern Time (US and Canada) Every month on the Second Thursday

Meeting ID: 822 5687 7420
Password: 353180

Public Information

Hoping to have some guests at future Area CPC/PI monthly meetings

- Librarian to give us information on “Read to Recovery”
- GSO Public Information Chair
- GSO Cooperation with Professional Community Chair

All are welcome to attend our monthly meeting.
We meet on the 4th Thursday of every month.
The next meeting is Thursday April 23rd 6:30PM.
868 7177 3923 passcode 080625

Thank you for allowing me to serve. Please reach out at any time.

Susan
Area 48 Public Information Chair
pi@nenyaa.org

Literature

Hi Everyone,

I am excited to hear from Dolores about her Conference experience.

It’s been fairly quiet for Literature here at NENY this month, but below is info from our General Service Office.

I received this from AAWS, Literature & Publications;

“There is a lot happening in A.A. literature right now:
● The Plain Language Big Book (PLBB) The Plain Language Big Book: A Tool for Reading Alcoholics Anonymous, published November 1, 2024, celebrated its one-year anniversary, after considerable demand and four print runs, with 322,000 total copies in print.
● • Sales: First-year total print copies distributed (over its first 12 months) totaled 215,574 copies.
● • Revenue: First-year total revenue stands at $1,908,706.98 (gross sales). ● • First-year print copies for distribution bought by IGCOs: 94,100 copies. ● • First-year International sales (to mainly A.A. GB and A.A. Australia GSOs) totaled 7,406 units.
● • First-year reported eBook sales totaled 7,789 units.
● • 2,240 eBook units were accessed in the first 12 months that the book was made available on tablets in corrections venues (as reported by Edovo).
● • Plain Language Big Book audiobook was approved by AAWS to move forward utilizing professional narrators experienced with A.A. literature at a leading professional audiobook production house, and it is on schedule to be released by mid-year, June 2026
● The Fifth Edition of the Big
○ A final draft will be reviewed at the 76th General Service Conference

Literature, cont.

○ A final draft will be reviewed at the 76th General Service Conference
○○ If approved, it will move forward as part of A.A.'s collective conscience
● The 12 Steps Illustrated pamphlet has been redesigned and will be available in a new display format https://www.aa.org/twelve-steps-illustrated
● All facsimile First Edition Big Books (red and yellow cover) have now sold out"

There is more information on the 'Meeting Guide' app under the 'News' tab, on the bottom, it is there for all of us to use from AAWS,
Information and links to podcasts, letters from our Trustees and General Manager,
updates on price adjustments, links to GV/LV monthly news and more.

Every third Thursday at 6:30pm (est) Literature and Grapevine/La Viña have an online, combined, committee meeting on the Zoom platform.
We would love to see you all there, all members are welcome to attend. Come curious, bring your questions …

Join Our Meeting on the Zoom Platform

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84064855953?pwd=LzI2ZUxFaU9qQndTZmpQaU83Q2RQUT09

Meeting ID: 840 6485 5953 Passcode: 394275

I hope to see you all soon,

Yours In Service,

NENY Area 48 Literature Chair
Sally K.
Literature@nenyaa.org

Corrections

The Area 48 NENY Corrections Committee would like to extend a sincere thank you to our Bridging the Gap Chair and to everyone who took the time to join us for our recent session. Your dedication to service is the heartbeat of this committee. We are currently issuing a call for already approved volunteers who are interested in supporting corrections service work specifically through Video Meetings. This is a vital way to reach those currently inside, and if you are interested in helping, please reach out to Tom C. at wileeyed54@gmail.com.

Additionally, we are working to update our Area contact information for all volunteers; please reach out to corrections@nenyaa.org so we can stay connected. We invite all AA members to join us for our next meeting on Monday, May 25, at 6:30 PM. Thank you for your continued commitment to carrying the message.

Meeting Details
Time: 6:30 PM
Platform: Zoom
Meeting ID: 867 1213 3948
Password: A48Correct

Treatment Chair

Hello everyone from the Treatment Chair.

I wish to invite all District Treatment Chairs to our next Treatment/ Bridging the Gap (BTG) online meeting April 8th at 6:30. **The Id is :861 6963 8196 and the passcode is: 741803.**

This meeting is every month on the second Wednesday of the month same time same place.

The meeting is informal and we try to keep is as a short check-in to see what is happening in your Districts and answer any questions and concerns you may have. Anyone is welcome to attend and see what Treatment and BTG are doing.

Please try to have someone from your District attend the meeting so that we can discuss ways to improve our outreach services of AA to different facilities. DCM's you are encouraged to attend if you don't yet have a Treatment or BTG Chair for your District.

Hope to see you there.

Howard W,

Yours in Service,

NENY Area 48 Treatment Chair

Grapevine/La Vina

Monthly meeting, third Thursday, 6:30 pm.
ID: 840 6485 5953
Passcode: 394275
Scott S
La Vina / Grapevine Chair
Grapevine@nenyaa.org

Inclusivity

Monthly Meeting, Third Tuesday, 6:30 pm
ID: 898 3966 8615
Passcode: 947900

Yours in Service
Diane R
A48 Inclusivity Chair
inclusivity@nenyaa.org

Bridging the Gap

Hi everyone,
This month I did some different Bridging the Gap activities and attended a BTG/ Treatment meeting. I also went to the Corrections monthly meeting. We need our BTG Committee Chairs to please show up the 2nd Wed of the month 6:30pm Meeting ID 86169638196 pw 741803. We are trying to reach all our treatment centers and Correctional Facilities with Bridging the Gap services. Thank you
Yours in service,
Chrissy O
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Bridging The Gap Chair
Area 48 • Northeast New York

Tech Chair

The Technology Committee continues to support our Area's digital services and hybrid needs. Recent work includes updates to the Delegate's subdomain (check it out - delegate.nenyaa.org) and ongoing coordination for hybrid support at the Voting Assembly, including readiness for polls, check-in, and equipment.

We are also beginning an ad-hoc effort to re-design the NENY Area 48 website. As we explore ideas for structure, usability, mobile experience, archiving, and resources, we would love participation from trusted servants and members with interest in the future of nenyaa.org. Keep an eye out for a survey coming soon! If you have ideas already or are interested in participating in the ad-hoc, please email webmaster@nenyaa.org.

We are also considering a tech/web/hybrid help session, either in the hour before the Technology Committee meeting or at another time during the month. If you are interested, please email webmaster@nenyaa.org

Bring back to your districts for GSRs:
Please bring this up during group business meetings and ask: who is visiting nenyaa.org or your district website, what are they looking for, what challenges do they face, and what changes would help (email: webmaster@nenyaa.org)?

People seeking help - newcomers, potential members, family, friends, or professionals looking for meetings, basic information, or how AA can help
People new to AA - members looking for meetings, resources, guidance, and help understanding AA

1. **Members new to service or in a new position** - trusted servants looking for role-specific resources, forms, guidelines, and how to fulfill their commitments
2. **Experienced service members** - members looking for Area, District, or GSO information, reports, archives, events, and service resources
3. **Members new to service or in a new position** - trusted servants looking for role-specific resources, forms, guidelines, and how to fulfill their commitments
4. **Experienced service members** - members looking for Area, District, or GSO information, reports, archives, events, and service resources

Yours in Service,
Zak P.
NENY Area 48
Panel 76 Technology Chair

APPROVED – 2026 AREA 48 NENY EVENTS CALENDER
Revised 1/17/2026

DATE	EVENT	HOST
Dec. 2025 - January 2026	Convention Committee begins work on November 2026 Convention	Adirondack Cluster
January 10, 2026	Orientation Day *(Agenda set by Area Chair)*	Eastern Cluster – D2 Lead
February 20-22, 2026	Northeast Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly (NERAASA)	Portland, ME – Area 28
March 13-15, 2026	Northeast Regional Delegates' Reunion (NERD)	Delegates and Past Delegates Only
March 28, 2026	Delegate's Day of Sharing *(Agenda set by Delegate and Area Chair)*	HV Cluster – D3 Lead
April 26-May 2, 2026	General Service Conference	Delegates Only – NYC
May 16 or 17, 2026	Spring Voting Proposal Assembly *This one or one in Oct. needs to be on a Sunday. (Agenda set by Area Chair)*	ADK Cluster – D5 Lead
June 13 or 14, 2026	Joy of Service Day *(Agenda set by Cluster)*	Central Cluster – D4 Lead
July 10-12, 2026	NYS Informational Workshop	Stony Point, NY - Area 49
September 19 or 20, 2026	Fellowship Day *(Agenda set by Cluster)*	Eastern Cluster – D18 Lead
October 17 or 18, 2026	Fall Voting Proposal Assembly *This one or one in May needs to be on a Sunday. (Agenda set by Area Chair)*	Western Cluster – D12 Lead
November 6-8, 2026	Area 48 Convention	ADK Cluster
November 21 or 22, 2026	Area 48 Inventory Day *(Agenda set by Area Chair)*	HV Cluster – D7 Lead
December 2026		

Clusters

Adirondack (ADK)..... D5, D10, D13, D19
Central..... D4, D8, D14
Eastern..... D1, D2, D18
Western..... D9, D12, 20
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Meet Your Trusted Servants, NENY Area 48, Panel 76

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https://nenyaa.org/area-48-committee-monthly-meetings.

Area 48 Recurring Events

• GSR (Gen Service Rep) Forum | 1st Sundays @ 7pm (see Announcements)
Open to any member of AA! You do not have to be a GSR or a member of Area 48 to attend.
• District Committee Members Meeting | 3rd Sunday @ 5:00pm
* Grapevine Story Hour | 2nd Tuesdays @ 7pm (see Announcements)
• Your Delegate Connection | First Thursday@ 7:30pm (See Announcements)
• Treasury Committee | 3rd Monday @ 6:30pm

Area 48 Committee Meetings

• Accessibilities | 2nd Thursday @ 6:00 pm | ID: 822 5687 7420, Passcode: 353180
• Bridging the Gap (BTG)/Treatment | 2nd Wednesdays @ 6:30pm | ID: 861 6963 8196, Passcode: 741803
• Corrections | 3rd Wednesday at 6:30 | 867 1213 3948, Passcode: A48Correct
• Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) & PI (Public Information) | 4th Thursdays @ 6:30pm | 868 7177 3923, Passcode: 080625
• DCMs & Alt DCMs + Functions 3rd Sundays @ 5pm | ID: 952 7302 1180, Passcode: DCMfun
• Grapevine & Literature | 3rd Thursdays @ 6:30pm | ID: 840 6485 5953, Passcode:394275
• Inclusivity | 3rd Tuesdays @ 6:30pm | ID: 898 3966 8615 Passcode: 974900
• Technology | 4th Wednesdays @ 7pm | 829 5229 5872, Passcode: Techteam48
• Treasury I 3rd Mondays @ 6:30pm I Meeting ID: 814 0888 4467 Passcode: 472485

Proposal for Consideration
Area Spring Voting Assembly

Proposal: Make the Area Alternate Secretary a Stand-Alone Position

Currently, the Area Registrar serves as Area Secretary in the absence of the Area Secretary.

The Area Secretary is a distinctly different position from that of Registrar. Whereas the Area Registrar needs familiarity with GSO databases and must maintain almost constant contact with the registrars from all Area districts, standing in for the Area Secretary requires the Registrar to drop those responsibilities and instead be familiar with the procedures for taking minutes at Area events, distributing minutes through MailChimp, updating the Service Manual as needed, sending up-to-date minutes and Service Manual changes to the Newsletter Chair, and keeping in touch with the General Service Conference Coordinator. It does not seem prudent, realistic, or practical to ask the Area Registrar to step into that role, especially on short notice.

The Area Secretary and the Alternate Secretary could work together to coordinate schedules so that the Area Secretary's responsibilities are always covered by someone fully familiar with them. This would help ensure that minutes for Area Assemblies and other events on the annual calendar are recorded as accurately and descriptively as possible and made available to the fellowship in a timely manner.

This arrangement would also provide training if the Alternate Secretary chooses to stand for election when the Area Secretary rotates out of the position, and it would give the Area another service position. Having an Alternate Secretary as a stand-alone position would not increase any costs for the Area, as either the Secretary or the Alternate Secretary would be reimbursed for mileage and expenses for the events covered, as outlined in Section 5.0, Event Participation and Funding, of the Area 48 Service Manual. This change would take effect with the election of the next panel.

Speaking as the immediate past Area Secretary, I can say that I never felt comfortable asking the Area Registrar to cover for me in my absence, as the Area Secretary is such a distinctly different role from that of Registrar. I feel strongly that this change would help the Area function more smoothly

Announcements

District 2 invites you to a Memorial Day Picnic

Hudson Shores Park Pavillion, Watervliet

Saturday, May 23th, Noon to 5PM

Speaker Meeting at 4PM

Barbecue Chicken, Hamburgers, Hotdogs,

Beverages will be served

Acoustic Music by Carefree Highway

Karaoke

$5 suggested donation

Bring dish to share if you can!

50/50 Raffle-must be present to win.

Donations from groups (noted for Picnic) will be appreciated and may be mailed to: NENY District 2, PO Box 1463, Troy, NY 12180, Thank you!

NENY Area 48 Voting Assembly – Saturday May 16th

Voting Assembly Agenda

9:00 – 9:30
Meet and Greet
9:30 – 10:30
Chair report
Secretary minutes from Delegate's Day of Sharing
Treasurer January, February, March, April reports
10:30 – 11:15
Proposal Vote
11:15 – 12:00
2027 Budget presentation (no voting, questions are ok)
12:00 – 12:45
Lunch
12:45 – 2:30
Delegate's Report Back from the Conference
2:30 Close

In Person:
Saratoga United Methodist Church (the intersection of 5th and Henning)
175 5th Avenue
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

Online:
Zoom
Meeting ID: 819 9127 9649
Passcode: Voting48

NENY Area 48 VOTING ASSEMBLY – Saturday, May 16th

Help Steer the Ship! *> Ever wonder how Area 48 actually works? Come find out and cast your vote! Join us for coffee, fellowship, and a little bit of "Area business."*

When

Date: Saturday, May 16th 2026

Registration, Coffee, and Fellowship:	9:00 AM
Assembly Business:	9:30 AM
End Time:	2:30 PM

Where

In Person: Saratoga United Methodist Church, 175 5th Ave, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 (the intersection of 5th and Henning)

Online: Zoom Details to Follow

Let's keep the hand of AA reaching out—hope to see there virtually or in person.

SAVE THE DATE
12th Annual
National AA Technology Workshop

Hybrid Format
September 11-13, 2026
San Francisco Bay Area
Concord, California

CO-HOSTED BY
AREA 06 TECH COMMITTEE
AND SF/MARIN INTERGROUP

FOR MORE INFO VISIT NAATW.ORG

G.S.O. Tour August 14th

(just our actual bus)

We're going to tour our General Service Office!

Tentative itinerary
Depart Albany: 6:00 am
Quick pick up at Kingston Park and Ride: 7:00 am Arrive at GSO: 9:30ish for check-in
GSO Tour: 10:00 am
1728 A.A. Meeting: 11:00 am
Lunch at cafeteria downstairs
Depart NYC: 1:00 pm
Kingston drop off: 2:30 pm
Albany: 3:30 pm

Registration coming very soon!

Questions? Email nenychair@nenyaa.org

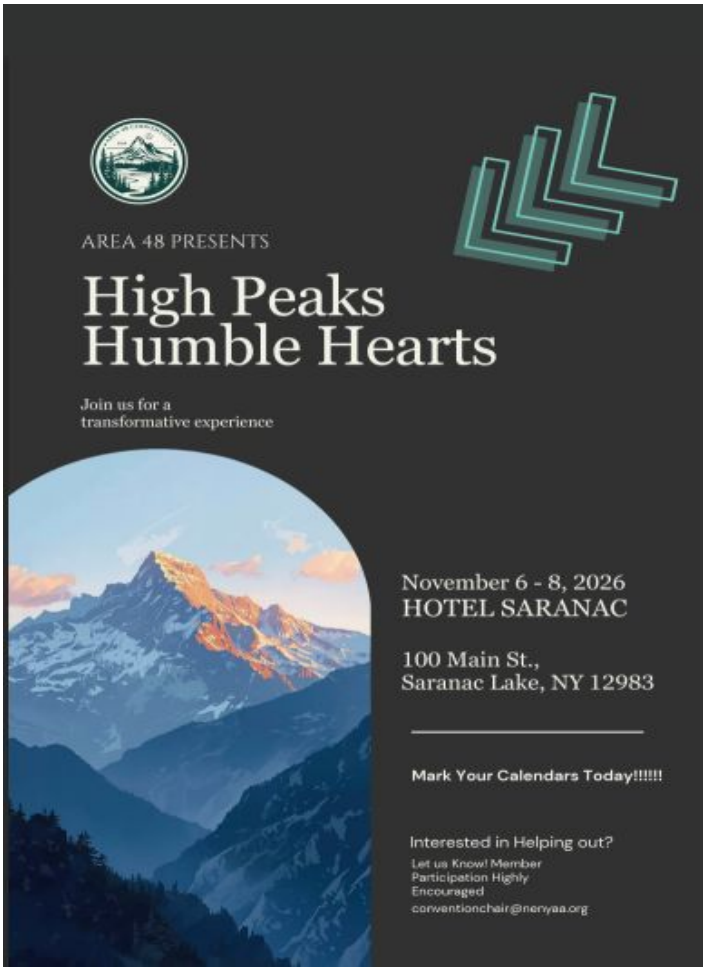
Announcements

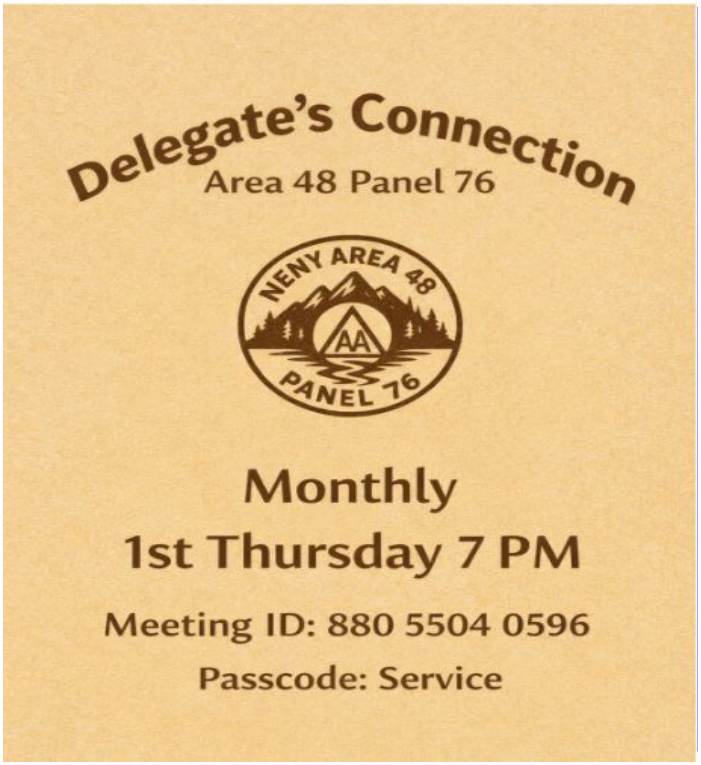
Online District 20 Meeting

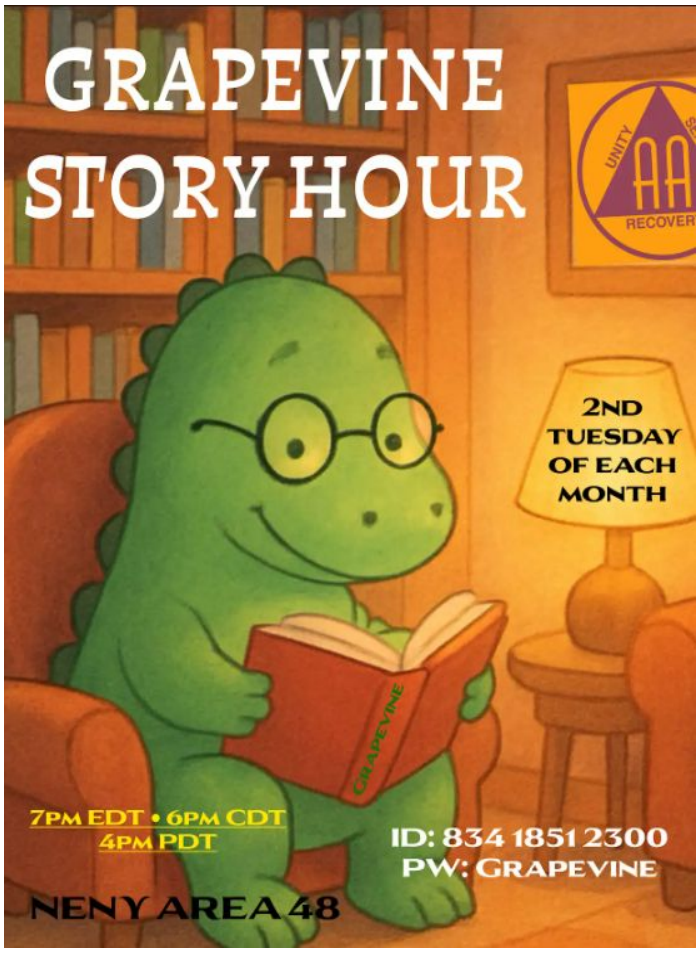
Last Tuesday of the Month
7:00 pm to 8:30 pm ET
Meeting ID: 291 297 7780
Passcode: 011023

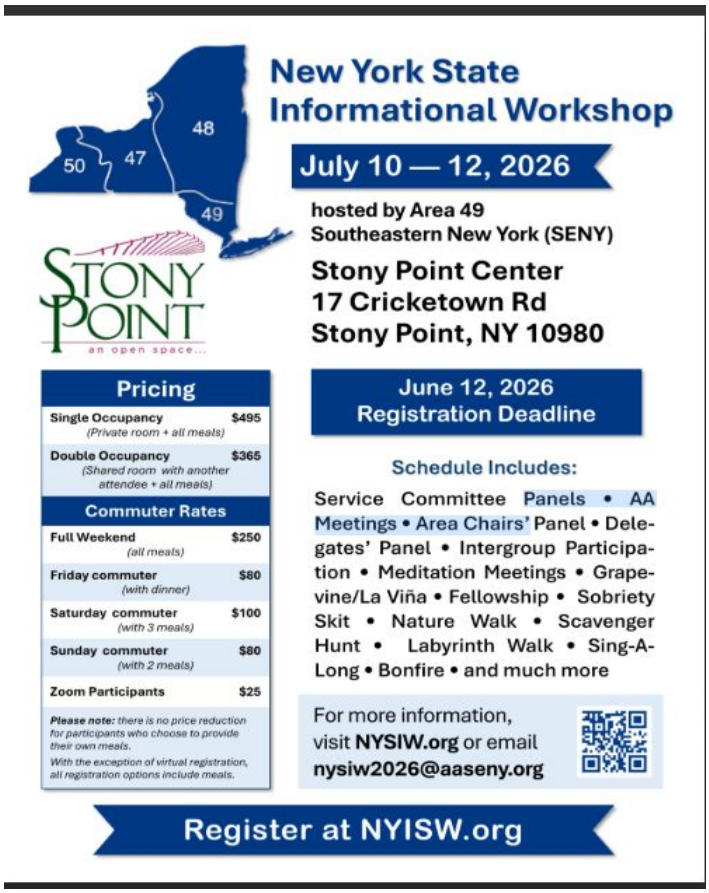
Website: district20.nenyaa.org

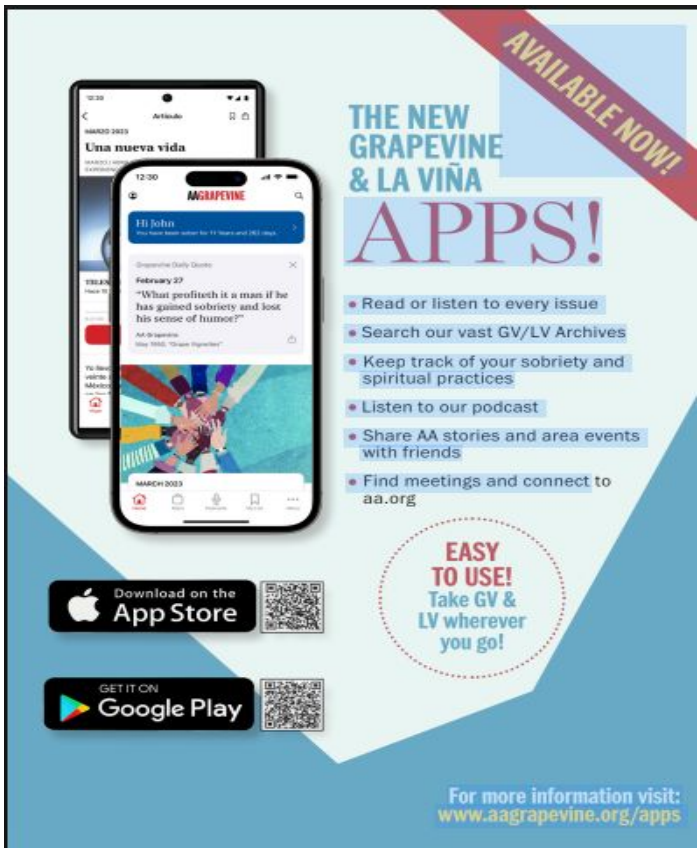
Questions? Email us at OnlineDistrict20@nenyaa.org
All members of AA are welcomed and encouraged to attend!











Concepts Study

All A.A. members are welcome!

Agenda:
Read the Concept essay out loud
together Presentation
Discussion

Suggested but not required:
Service Manual
Something to highlight or take notes with
Willingness to learn and participate

First Friday of Each Month
Beginning June 2026
7:00 – 8:15 PM Eastern Time
ID: 835 8899 6062
Password: 121212!

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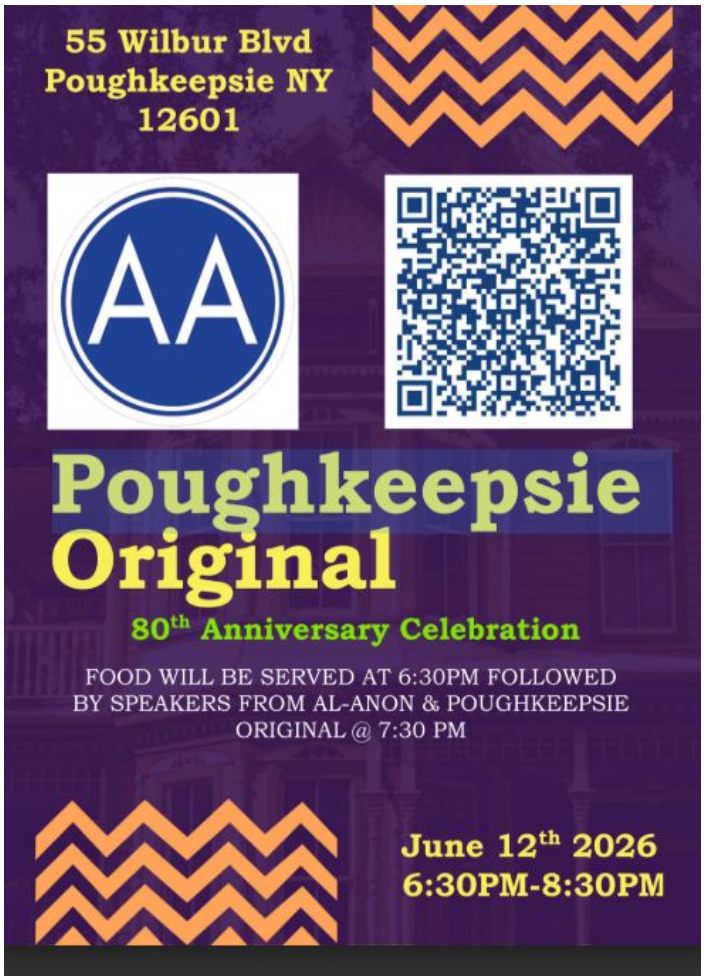
The AAWS Board recently recommended that a monthly communication be sent regarding matters related to self-support. This communication is a continuation of that series.

Nick S.
Self Support and Finance GSO Staff Member

Dear Friends,
Please click on your preferred language below to access the **latest Quarterly Report from the General Service Office** where you'll find recent activities of the General Service Board, A.A. World Services, Inc., and AA Grapevine, Inc. English / Spanish / French

AA - Living Sober
With Chronic Pain ★
8:30 to 9:30 PM EST
Every Tuesday
Zoom ID: 815 4870 0347
No Password
Closed-Topic discussion last Tuesday,
Open speaker
Contact:
livingsoberpain@gmail.com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80th Anniversary Celebration
FOOD WILL BE SERVED AT 6:30PM FOLLOWED
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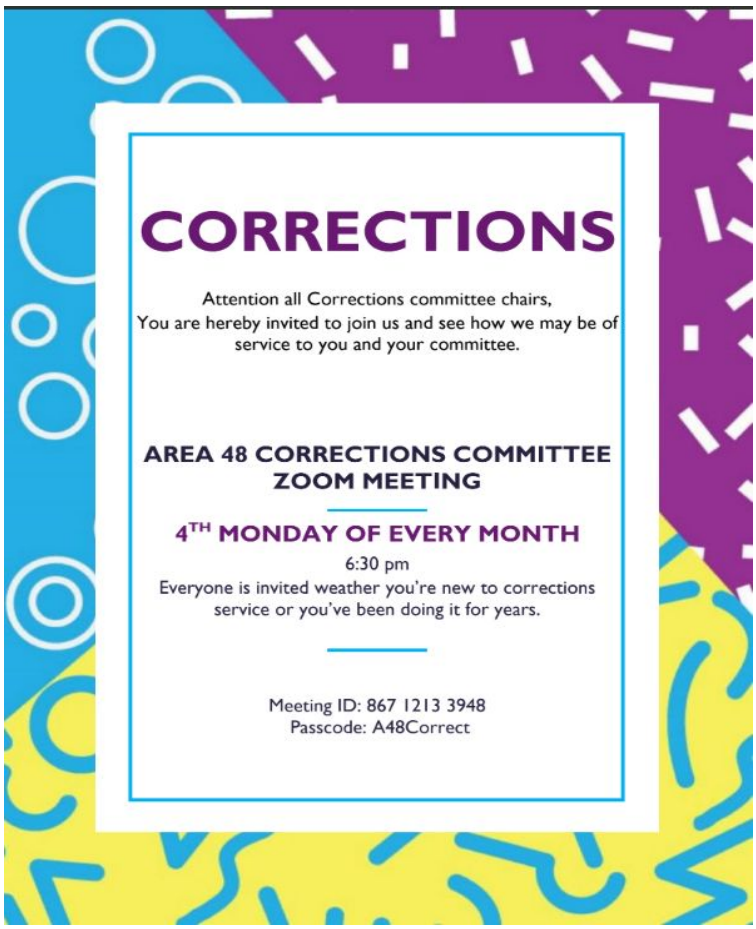
ORIGINAL @ 7:30 PM
June 12th 2026
6:30PM-8:30PM


CORRECTIONS
Attention all Corrections committee chairs,
You are hereby invited to join us and see how we may be of service to you and your committee.
AREA 48 CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE ZOOM MEETING
4TH MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH
6:30 pm
Everyone is invited weather you're new to corrections service or you've been doing it for years.
Meeting ID: 867 1213 3948
Passcode: A48Correct